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Business Directory.

M. E. CHURCH.
SOCIETIES.
MORNING. Service 10:30, Sunday School 12:00. Evening service 7:30.
A. F. H. T. Pastor.
CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.
SERVICES at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sabbath school 12:00.
J. VAN ANTWERP, Pastor.
EPISCOPAL CHURCH.
SERVICES are held at the Episcopal church every Sunday evening.
REV. GEO. YERINGTON, Missionary.
ALMA LODGE, F. & A. M.
REGULAR Meetings on Saturdays before each full moon.
W. J. BARKER, Sec'y.
ALMA CHAPTER, O. E. S. NO. 43.
Regular meetings on the first Friday of each month.
M. A. ANDERSON, ADAMS, Sec'y.
MRS. ANNA MESSINGER, Sec'y.
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G. A. R.
Wm. Moyer Post, No. 152, Dept. of Mich., G. A. R., meet on 2nd and 4th, Thursday of each month.
JERRY SMITH, Comd.
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General Banking Business Transacted. Dealers in Foreign and Domestic Exchange. Special Attention Given to Collections.
WM. S. TURCK, W. WRIGHT, G. S. WAHL, J. H. SATTEN, C. E. WEBSTER.
Professionals.
J. F. SUYDAM, M. D.
PHYSICIAN and Surgeon. Office in rear of Miller & Co's Drug Store.
C. L. DOWNIE, M. D.
GENERAL PRACTICE. Office: front room in Webb's Drug Store.
S. D. YERINGTON.
PRACTICE Physician. Office hours: 9 to 11 a. m., 2 to 4 p. m. Office in Webb's Drug Store to 6, front rooms up stairs.
E. A. BAGLEY, M. D.
HOMOEOPATHIC Physician and Surgeon. Residence: State street. Office: room No. 1, Wright's Opera House block, second floor. Office hours: 9 to 10 a. m., 2 to 4 p. m. and 7 to 8 p. m.
ATTORNEYS.
FRANCIS PALMER.
ATTORNEY AT LAW, AND Real Estate, Life and Fire Insurance Agent.
Alma, Gratiot Co. Mich.
J. L. CLARK.
ATTORNEY and Counselor at Law. All legal business by letter or otherwise, will be promptly attended to. Office in Opera House block, upstairs.
JOHN D. SPINNEY.
ATTORNEY AT LAW, Solicitor in Chancery, and Real Estate Agent.
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ATTORNEY at Law. Does a general law business. Trial of causes a specialty. Insurance and Collection.
MISCELLANEOUS.

F. A. LEONARD
—Is nicely fixed up in the—
Livery Stable.
formerly occupied by Mr. Carnahan, on Superior-st. west, and proposes to keep a first-class FEED, BOARD, SALE and LIVERY STABLE. Good rigs at reasonable rates. Give him a call.

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Delivered free to any part of the city
A. J. WESTON.
West Superior, cor. Grand St.

Drs. Flowers,
Botanic Physicians,
AND SPECIALISTS FOR ALL CHRONIC DISEASES.
Mrs. Flowers gives special attention to diseases of Women and Children. Office and residence, corner of Lincoln and Center sts., one block south of the Episcopal church. Call or send for list of "Questions to Invalids." Address,
DRS. FLOWERS,
P. O. box 185. Alma, Mich.

Alma Furniture Rooms.
S. H. LOVELAND,
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Furniture,
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A Specialty.
A good Hearse in connection.
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Office one door east of B. W. A. House store.
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C. F. BROWN, Prop.

TERMS.—\$1.25 per year in advance; 50c for six months; 25c for three months. Rates of advertising made known on application.

GREETINGS.

Visiting cards at the Record office.
E. F. Moyer has returned from the north.
Robert Smith, of Ithaca was in town to-day.
Full line of Rubbers at W. R. Kinch's.

Misses and Childrens' fine Kid, spring heeled Shoes at W. R. Kinch's.
Ladies' Aid Society will meet with Mrs. VanAntwerp, Wednesday.
Miss Maggie Mero, of Charlotte, is the guest of Mrs. J. F. Suydam.
Youths' doubled soled and tapped Boots for \$1.25 at W. R. Kinch.

Lemuel Clute, of Ionia, made this office a pleasant call Wednesday.

T. M. Fish, Supt. of the D. L. & N. railroad, was in town Wednesday.

The number of pupils enrolled at the Union school for the present term is 457.

O. W. Ellison of Jackson is visiting his son B. W. Ellison and brother B. B. Ellison.

Ed. Harms leaves Monday for Shepherd, where he is to engage in the tonorial line.

James L. Clark went to Lansing Wednesday, to argue a case before the Supreme court.

Ten per cent off on all ready made fancy work, at Mrs. E. P. Shaffer, until Feb. 1st.

FOR SALE.—An account of \$5.80 against F. J. Topping very cheap. Enquire at this office.

Miss Minnie Depew is spending a few days at Jackson, a welcome guest among her friends.

A surprise party, numbering six couple, was given Mr. and Mrs. E. Adams, last Wednesday evening.

Our Common Sense school shoe, with leather inner sole and outer counter tip, sold by W. R. Kinch.

Cards are out for a leap year hop to be given at Church's Opera House, Ithaca, Jan. 29. Bill \$1.00.

WANTED.—To contract for 150 cord of green body hard wood 3 foot in length must be sawed. A. YERINGTON.

Ionia has raised the amount of bonus to secure the location of the Battle Creek and Bay City railroad through that city.

Pres. Hunting will deliver an address before the Teacher's Association at St. Louis on Friday, the 27th, inst., at 7:30 p. m.

Some of our bachelor friends are wondering why some of the young ladies don't pop the question to them, being that it is leap year.

The Bee Hive advertise their annual clearing sale, Jan. 16th, for 80 days, 25 per cent off. This is the time to procure some fine bargains.

Dr's. Flowers have removed their office to the corner of Lincoln and Center streets, one block south of the Episcopal church, to the former residence of M. J. Burkhead. 4674

The annual meeting of the Michigan State Temperance Alliance will be held at Adrian, on Wednesday, Feb. 1. This is in correction of an erroneous announcement heretofore made.

Alma Lodge No. 24 F. and A. M. will hold a special meeting on Saturday evening the 21st, for the purpose of exemplifying the third degree. All members are requested to be present.

By order of W. M.

There will be a select social party at Riverdale next Wednesday evening, conducted by Taft and Moble. Quite a number have already signified their intentions to be there, feeling assured that every thing will be done for their enjoyment.

List of letters remaining in the Alma postoffice for the month ending Jan. 14 1888: Sylvia K. Austin, Mrs. Ada Farrington, Mrs. Mattie Gibson, H. J. Burns, G. W. Ball, D. C. Dunn & Co., Will H. Irving, D. E. Lusk, Peter Lynn Persons calling for the above please say advertised.

D. Ely, P. M.

The reception given by the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A., last Friday evening at Ladies Hall was a decided success, notwithstanding the bitter cold, a goodly number of the invited guests availed themselves of this opportunity to become better acquainted with the students. At 9 o'clock refreshments were served after which amusements were introduced and participated in, until 10 o'clock, when the company withdrew, feeling that all had spent a profitable and enjoyable evening.

Cold weather.
Pay your subscription.
Take notice of Mrs. Shaffers advs.
Good assortment of Children's Shoes at Kinch's.

Otto Sanderhoof is visiting friends in Owosso this week.

Stamped linens at reduced prices at Mrs. E. P. Shaffer's.

Miss A. McFarland, of Stanton is the guests of the editor and family.

On Wednesday there were five "book agents" running around loose in Alma.

The order of O. E. S. give a banquet Friday. Go and enjoy a pleasant evening.

A good work horse for sale cheap good size. Enquire of Geo. W. Palfrey.

A. C. McGraw's Ladies Pebble Button Boot for \$2.00 sold by W. R. Kinch.

Farmers will be satisfied if they go to the Milliken House for dinners when in town.

"Trix" at St. Louis last, Wednesday evening was much appreciated by several of our citizens.

Alexander Palfrey of St. Johns is spending the week with his son, Geo. W. Palfrey of this place.

G. W. VanWegen can be found the third house north of the Episcopal church, on Wright street.

The case against George Boyer for selling liquor to a minor, was discontinued for want of witnesses.

A large line of rubber goods on which we put the celebrated Crescent heelplates, at the Bee Hive stores.

Charles Huffman, of Ithaca, was arrested by Sheriff Pettitt on Thursday, for desertion from the U. S. army.

Courtland Rodgers a type in this office, was called to Lyons last Saturday, by the serious illness of his father.

Frank Rollin has been confined to his bed the past two weeks with inflammation of the lungs, is reported better.

It looks as though the Alma Clerks Association had come to stay. We observed on a subscription paper circulated for a poor, sick, needy man \$1.00 signed by the association.

College prayer meeting, is held each Friday Evening promptly at 7 o'clock in College Chapel. All old and young are cordially invited to attend and participate in these meetings.

Major Anderson, famous as a railroad solicitor, was in town Wednesday. If the Major gets after this new road you are safe to bet that it will go. He is without a peer in his line of work.

Upon examining the baggage register at the Wright House, it appears there were received at this House for the year 1887, 1483 pieces of commercial baggage, 911 private trunks and 3230 valises.

It is leap year, and it has been just 1,000 years since there were as many 8's in the year as we have just now. It is a good time for old bachelors to cogit-s, the girls to reciproc-s, and not hesit-s.—*Inter-Ocean*

October last, Thomas Murray of Seville lost \$750 from a bureau drawer. Detective Whitsett of Ithaca has been working up the case. On Wednesday, Sheriff Pettitt arrested James and Dell Fauner near Baldwin, brought them to Ithaca before Justice Phillips, who held them to bail in the sum of \$1000 to appear before him on the 21st inst.

We are sole agents for the Love Button Hole and Sewing Machine. In addition to doing any kind of work possible on any other machine, makes perfect Button-Holes on any kind of goods, Overseams, and sews with two needles at one operation, making two rows of stitching either zigzag or straight. Call and examine them and be convinced that they are superior to other machines.

MILLER BROS.

Postoffice men in some parts of the country are trying to bring about a change of manner of addressing mail matter. They want it reversed, and are quite right, too. Custom has established the present method and it is entrenched only in habit. The right way would be to put the state first, then the county, then the town, and last of all the persons name. It would be much easier then to distribute mail matter, and the chances for mail being miscarried would be lessened.

The following from the Detroit Free Press is a well-deserved tribute to the managers of the Alma College: "Alma College is enjoying a very prosperous first year. The fall term closed with sixty-three students and the present (the winter) term opens with sixty-four and promises a number of others. Rev. George F. Hunting, the President, is a man honored and loved wherever known, while the members of the faculty—notably J. W. Ewing, Theodore Nelson, and Lewis Stuart—stand in the first rank of Michigan educators."

Dongolia Kid button Shoes at W. R. Kinch's.
Ree Hive Clearing Sale Jan. 16th 25 per cent off.

Mr. Win Wilson is now attending the Alma Union school.

A very large line of mittens and wool goods at cost until Feb. 1st.
Mrs. E. P. Shaffer.

Some of the young people of Alma are making reckoning on a grand sleigh ride some evening next week.

The new railroad will go via Pleasant Valley and plant a new town at this point, seven miles north of Alma.

MARRIED.—In Alma, Jan. 16 at the residence of J. F. Sartor, by Rev. J. VanAntwerp. Mr. Charles B. Ingersoll and Miss Selma Sartor.

Dr. Hunting will preach at the Congregational church next Sabbath morning. The thermometer will range a number of degrees higher than last Sabbath. No cold noses or toeses.

Do not forget the great bargains on mittens at Mrs. E. P. Shaffer's until Feb. 1st.

We have just received from J. C. Groene & Co., their latest song called "Hungry at Somebody's Door," by Charles A. Davies. It is a beautiful song and will become as popular as his last song, "There's no one like Mother to me," which we noticed some months ago. Any one of the songs will be sent for only eleven 2-c. stamps. Address J. C. Groene & Co., 30 and 40 Arcade, Cincinnati, O.

Three reasons why, the winter is the best time for farmers and all others exposed to the weather, to have their photographs taken. 1st. They have more leisure time. 2nd. They are usually in better health and spirits. 3rd. And most important of all, the summer tan is off thus enabling you to get a much clearer picture. All work guaranteed to be first-class. Come in and be convinced. Gallery over B. W. Ellison's store.

457-3w L. W. Miller

The final City Optic has the following pertinent queries and suggestions: "When you want newspaper favors, you strike your home paper, don't you? If you want your town boomed and your property increased in value, you expect your home paper to do it, don't you? Yet you kick because your home paper hasn't as much reading in it as a city paper, don't you? Still on the whole you think your home paper is a mighty good paper for a town, don't you? If you do, try to show your appreciation in a substantial way. Patronize it; subscribe for it; advertise in it, and thus enable it to be a true reflex of the intelligence, energy and thrift of the community."

The editor of the Maple Rapids Dispatch hits the nail squarely on the head when he says in regard to prices on printing: "We can't compete with Detroit, Grand Rapids or Chicago—neither can any of our business men." Would it not be fairer for a business man who is about to order printing to a city concern to think of this and resolve from that time forth to patronize his home printer. The average printer to support his family spends from \$500 to \$1000 in his town. It is seldom he goes out of town to get a dollar's worth. It costs the average business man in a country town for his commercial printing about \$15 per year. How does that foot up against the printer's grocery or dry goods bill?

Marriage Licenses.
Wm. H. Hilsinger, Seville, 57
Sarah J. Hilsinger, N. Y. 47
Jacob W. Vanepes, Emerson, 21
Elsina Fuller, Ashley, 16
Albert M. Strickland, Sumner, 20
Edie Dickerson, Sumner, 18
Michael Brustmaker, Detroit, 36
Julia Ann Porter, St. Louis, 32
Charles B. Ingersoll, Owosso, 26
Selma Sartor, Alma, 20

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Barney Cook, 35.00
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Dean & Co., Gasoline, 10.40
W. S. & S. Sundries, 31.62
T. Gobie, wood, 42.00

Montigel and McLeod appear.

On motion allowed at footing and clerk instructed to draw orders therefor Committee appointed to settle with marshal, report in writing as follows:

To the Common Council of the Village of Alma:
Gentlemen.—

Your committee appointed to audit the accounts of the Village marshal respectfully report that they have duly examined the same and report as follows:

Receipts of Treas. for amt't paid over on general tax, \$6309.69
Receipts of St. Com. for Road tax, 510.52
Amt't. taxes returned unpaid, 220.10
7040.31

Am't. of roll per footing, \$6,895.62
Am't. Poll tax p'd.in, 106.00 7001.62

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Gratiot County Pomona Grange, No. 39, will hold their next meeting at North Star Grange Hall, Wednesday, Feb. 1st, 1888, at 10 o'clock a. m. The following program will be observed:

Opening Song, by Emerson Grange.
Address of welcome, by L. J. Dean
Response by the Master of Emerson Grange.

Song by North Star Grange.
Reports from each subordinate Grange by their secretaries.
Recess for Dinner.

AFTERNOON.
Paper—Co-operation by T. A. Johnson, Pine River.

Questions for general discussion—On what does the future success of the farmer depend? Are we using the best means in our power for the advancement of our children morally and intellectually? by Mrs. Anna Lyons and others.

Suggestions for the advancement of grange work in Gratiot county, opened by T. A. Johnson and L. J. Dean.

Also recitations interspersed with good music.

Evening meeting public, to which all are invited. WM. J. MOFFETT, Sec.

Buy a diary for 1888 at the P. O. book store.

County Agricultural Society.
A meeting of the Gratiot County Agricultural Society was held at the office of Wm. E. Wintons, in Ithaca, on Tuesday Jan. 17th, to confer with John Scriven, administrator of the Jeffery estate, in reference to the purchase of the fair grounds by the Society. The following officers and directors of the society were present:

President.—Silas Moody.
Secretary.—O. F. Jackson.
Treasurer.—Wilbur Nelson.
Directors.—F. W. Hooper, Arcada. James Jenne, Ithaca; H. B. Angell, Pine River; L. Sweatland, North Star.

They effected a purchase of the Taces now enclosed and 95 acres on the east and south of the enclosure, making 231 acres to be used as fair grounds by the society. The amount paid was \$100.00 per acre, and the sum of \$500 was paid down, which includes the \$350.00 appropriated by the board of supervisors in January 1885. This places the society in a fair way to prosperity and gives them the chance (with the assistance of the farmers in the future as they have done in the past three years) of soon owning their own grounds, and we see no reason why Gratiot county may not lead some of the older counties in its Agricultural fairs.

Attention Farmers!
We would respectfully announce to the farmers that after Tuesday the 10, inst., we will be prepared to supply ice to all in need at reasonable rates.

RODMAN & CHADWICK.

To LET.—Two houses. Inquire of H. A. Delavan, Alma, Mich.

FOR SALE.—A good second hand 25 horse power engine cheap.
449-tf. J. M. Montigel & Co

I will be prepared to do all kinds of dyeing, ribbons and plumes included, Dec. 19, 1887. G. W. VAN WAGEN. Alma, Mich.

FOR RENT.—A first-class Harness Shop, centrally located in the beautiful village of Alma. Apply to M. C. DALLAS, Alma, Mich.

Farm for Sale.
I offer the 200 acres situated on section 1 and 2, in Sumner, known as the Hamilton Pritchard farm, for sale. On the place are 3 dwelling houses, 1 large frame barn, 1 medium size frame barn, corn house, a superior fruit orchard and pure living water. The soil is of the best and well adapted for both grain and stock. The place is well suited for dividing into 40 acre parcels, and I will sell the whole or any less number of acres, and solicit propositions. Address me at Adrian, Mich. 469-5w Wm. H. Waldbly.